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Ms. Pamela Creedon, Executive Officer California Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Valley Region 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200 Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114

Subject: Tentative Order / NPDES Permit No. CAS083313

Dear Ms. Creedon:

Contra Costa County wishes to affirm its support for the comments made by the Contra Costa Clean Water Program (CWP) regarding the Tentative Order for reissuance of NPDES Permit No. CAS083313.

Contra Costa County shares the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board's (RWQCB) desire for the timely reissuance of a NPDES Permit with requirements that integrate with the Municipal Regional Permit (MRP) that was recently issued by the San Francisco Bay RWQCB. To that end, we respectfully request that the Tentative Order be modified as recommended by the CWP in order to fully integrate this reissued NPDES Permit with the MRP. This request would eliminate duplicative efforts and prevent the reissued NPDES Permit from imposing disproportionally burdensome requirements on the relatively small population of unincorporated Contra Costa County (and its Co-Permittees) located within the jurisdiction of the Central Valley RWQCB.

Your consideration is appreciated as we all work toward improving water quality in an efficient manner throughout the San Francisco Bay and Central Valley regions.

Should you have any questions, please contact Rich Lierly, County Watershed Program Manager, at (925) 313-2348 or at <a href="mailto:riche

Sincerely,

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